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Supervisor Found Guilty of Sexually Abusing Woman at Workplace

WASHINGTON - Enrique Robles, 32, who worked for a firm that provides catering and food services in the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center, has been convicted of two counts of misdemeanor sexual abuse for fondling and sexually assaulting a female employee under his supervision, U.S. Attorney Ronald C. Machen Jr. announced.

Robles, of Greenbelt, Md., was convicted on February 4, 2011, following a trial in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. He is to be sentenced on February 15, 2011, by the Honorable Judge Marisa J. Demeo. Each of the two counts carries a maximum sentence of 180 days in jail and fines of up to \$1,000.

According to the government's evidence at trial, in May 2009, Robles provided the victim a ride home from work one night. Once in the vehicle, Robles told the victim that he wanted to have sex with her. The victim rejected Robles's advances. Undeterred, he reached over and fondled her. Robles then said he had to get "it." The victim asked how he would get it, if she didn't give it to him, and he replied ominously, "you'll see."

A few weeks later, Robles was the victim's supervisor during the night shift. He ordered her to follow him, and, thinking she was being given a new assignment, the victim complied. Robles led the victim into a storeroom only supervisors could access, and once inside, he closed the door and made sexual advances. The victim resisted, but Robles eventually pinned her up against a wall and forced her to engage in sexual activity.

In announcing the verdict, U.S. Attorney Machen praised the work of Federal Protective Service Agents Jeffrey Levine and Luis Martinez, as well as Crime Scene Technician Sean Keefe, of the U.S. Secret Service. He also acknowledged the efforts of those who worked on the case from the U.S. Attorney's Office, including Paralegal Troy Griffith, Legal Assistant Nikki Nelson, and Victim Advocate Tracey Hawkins. Finally, he commended Assistant U.S. Attorney Stephanie Brooker, who investigated the case, and Assistant U.S. Attorney Jeff T. Cook, who prosecuted the matter.

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